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THE AMERICAN POSITION.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.

President Wilson, in his speech in Congress yesterday, said Germany's sudden and deliberate withdrawal of the solemn assurances given after the torpedoing of the *Sussex* left no alternative but diplomatic rupture. Notwithstanding Germany's deeply deplorable action, President Wilson refused to believe that the German authorities would disregard the ancient friendship of the two peoples, and destroy American ships and lives. If his inveterate confidence in their sobriety and prudent foresight unhappily proved to be unfounded, he would ask Congress for the necessary means to protect Americans in the prosecution of their peaceful and legitimate errands on the high seas. He took it for granted that all the Neutral Governments would take the same course.

"We are sincere friends with the German people," said the President, "and earnestly desire to remain at peace with their Government. I shall not believe that they are hostile unless I am obliged to believe it. We purpose solely to make reasonable defence of the rights of our people to liberty and justice and unmolested life. These are the bases of peace, and not war. God grant that we shall not be challenged to defend them by acts of wilful injustice on the part of the German Government.

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PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 4.

While the torpedo-boat destroyer *Jacob Jones* was being towed to dock, she began to sink. The crew closed the seacocks and saved her. A member of the crew was arrested and charged with sabotage.

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MR. ROOSEVELT OFFERS HIS SERVICES.

New York, Feb. 4.

Mr. Roosevelt has offered the services of himself and his four sons and promises to raise a Division.

The American Aero Club has placed its entire resources at the service of the Government.

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AMERICA DEMANDS WITHDRAWAL OF GERMAN CLAIMS.

London, Feb. 4.

Newspaper despatches from New York assert that Mr. Gerard has been instructed to demand the withdrawal of the German claim within twenty-four hours.

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THE CASE OF THE "HOUSATONIC."

Washington, Feb. 4.

If it is proved that the *Housatonic* was torpedoed without warning it will be difficult for America to avoid active hostility.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.

The State Department has received a despatch from the American Consul at Plymouth stating that the *Housatonic* was fully warned and the crew given the opportunity of seeking safety before the ship was sunk.

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LONDON, Feb. 4.

The American steamer *Housatonic* was submarine at noon (on the 3rd inst.) off the Scilly Islands. The crew were rescued by a British-armed steamer.

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AMERICAN PRECAUTIONS.

New York, Feb. 4.

Orders have been sent to Panama to guard the Canal against being dynamited.

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The Navy Board is working out plans including the convoying of ships.

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A battalion of militia from Baltimore has arrived at Washington to protect the buildings and monuments. The guards at the munition factories have been doubled.

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The Atlantic Fleet stationed at Guantanamo has been ordered to be ready for any eventuality.

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Eight thousand policemen and special constables are ready for war duty in New York. Machine-gun squads have been organised.

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AN EXPLANATION.

Washington, Feb. 4.

It is stated that the Government has at present no intention of seizing the German merchantmen laid up in American ports. This would be an act of war.

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It is explained that the *Kronprinzessin Cecilie* was already in United States custody and that the action of the Panama authorities in taking four Hamburg-American liners is a temporary measure to prevent the crews from blowing up the ships and endangering the canal.

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HOLLAND AND AMERICA'S ACTION.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.

America's break has caused great surprise. The uppermost feeling is that inasmuch as it means decreasing the number of neutrals in places Holland is in a difficult and almost dangerous position.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings on SATURDAY, 10th February, 1917, at 11 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving the REPORT of DIRECTORS together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1916. The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 1st to SATURDAY, 10th February, 1917 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOVER,
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment &
Agency Co., Ltd.
General Agents for the
Kowloon Land and Building
Company Limited.
Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1917.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND
FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 10th February, 1917, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1916.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th February to the 10th February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
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Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1917.

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Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1917.

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NOTICE.

RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET,
HONGKONG AGENCY.

THE Office of this AGENCY has this day been REMOVED to St. George's BUILDING, Second Floor, Room No. 5. (Entrance from Chater Road).
Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1917.

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SECOND 5% RUSSIAN INTERNAL
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ALTHOUGH the subscription lists were closed on the 26th December, the RUSSO ASIATIC BANK, Hongkong, is prepared to ACCEPT ORDERS for the above Loan up to the 17th FEBRUARY on the subscription terms as previously advertised.

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HISTORY 40

NOTES ON WILD LIFE IN
HONGKONG AND SOUTH
CHINA (by Rev. G. A.
Bunbury, M.A.) 50

Part I—Mammals and Birds ... 50
Part II—Reptiles, Am. Fishes and
Fishes 50

THE MISSIONS STRANGERES
(History of the Eastern
Churches) 100

CHINESE SCHOOL BOOK
("San-Pao King," translated
by E. J. Hite) 70

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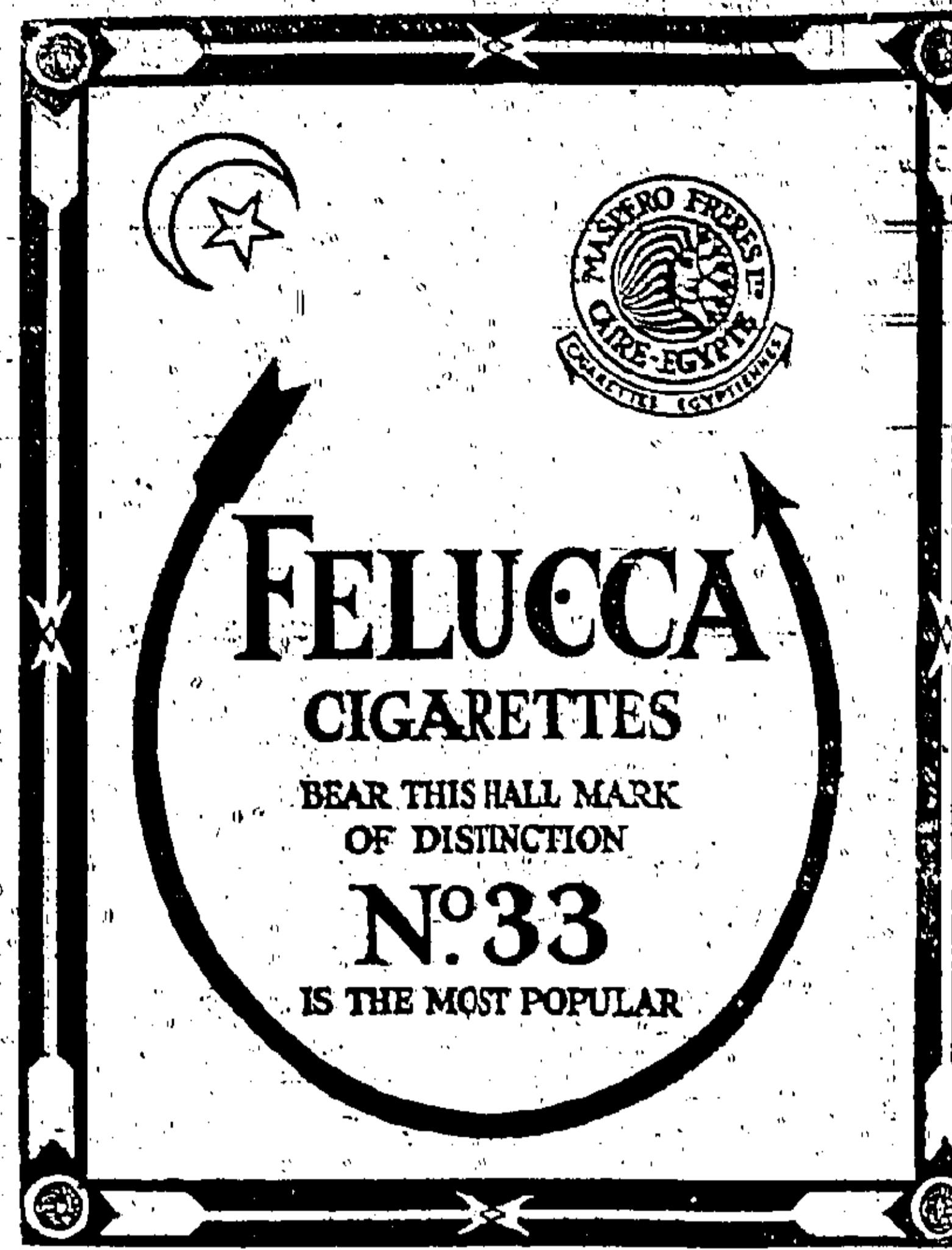
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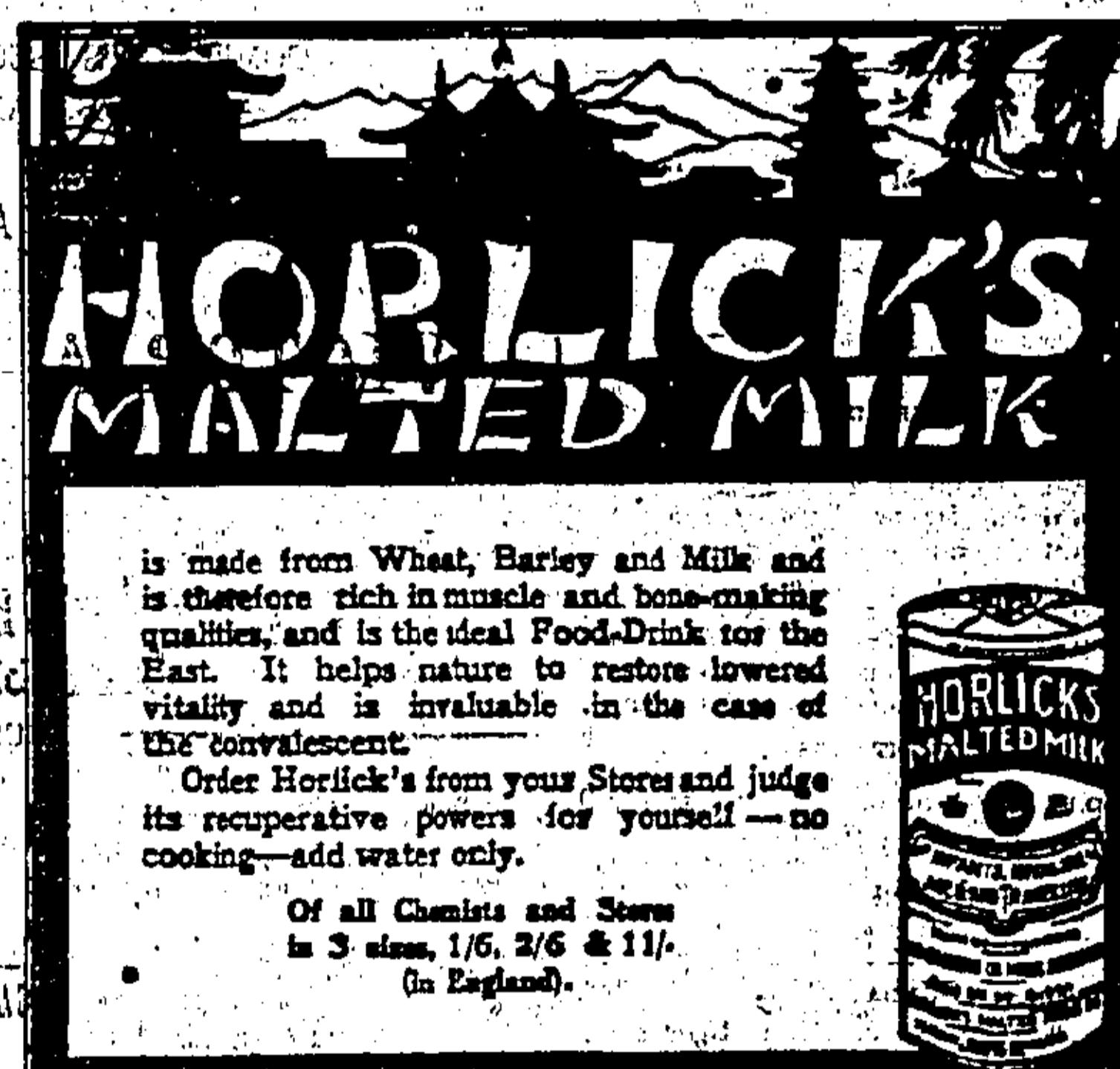
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THE THIRTIETH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held at the Offices
of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 22nd February,
1917, at Noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors
and the Statement of Accounts for the
Year ending 31st December, 1916.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from MONDAY,
15th February to THURSDAY, 22nd
February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1917. 1461

THE DIARY.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.
9:15 a.m.—Piano Recital at Govern-
ment House.MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.
3 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Property
at Mr. Geo. P. Lamont's Sale
Rooms.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 7.—
11:30 a.m.—Full Moon.4:30 p.m.—Prize Giving by Lady May
at Kowloon British School.THURSDAY, Feb. 8.—
2:30 p.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture at Messrs. Hughes and
Hough's.FRIDAY, Feb. 10.—
11 a.m.—Kowloon Land and Building
Co. Meeting.Noon.—Humphreys' Estate and
Finance Co. Meeting.2:30 p.m.—Auction of Clothing and
Effects of late A. W. Button at
Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.Laying of Foundation Stone of new
Chinese YMCA building by
Bishop Lander.Inspection of the H.K. Police Reserve
by H.E. the Governor.WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14.—
9:15 p.m.—Concert at Helena May
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suffer from colds, they are often contracted
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can imagine the line of reasoning adopted by the KAISER, and his
adviser, thus: "We have tried to
induce the neutrals to bring pressure
on the Entente to enter at once into
negotiations while we have something
in hand to bargain with. That
device has entirely failed; now we
must force them to take a hand. This
will mean that they will claim
to have a voice in the settlement,
which is not exactly what the
Entente Powers will like." In the
case of America, no doubt, Germany
will hope that her action may stop
short for some time at the severance
of diplomatic negotiations, because
this would mean that America, for
the time being at least, will shut
down on the export of war supplies
to the Allies, and keep them for her
own use in case she should need
them. Had Germany taken this
action two years ago, that object
might have been served; but it is too
late, now, we imagine, to have much
effect.

THE MAGISTRACY.

ALLEGED STEALING OF PIGS.

Four Chinese charged with stealing
seven pigs from No. 116 Wong-nai-wu
Village, Yamazi, were brought before
Mr. Melbourne. All the missing pigs
were recovered. His Worship ordered a
remand fixing the bail at \$100 each.

THEFT OF CANVAS.

A Chinese charged with the theft of
two large rolls of canvas was brought
before Mr. Wood. Defendant was
sentenced to three months' hard labour.

POSSESSION OF OPIUM.

Charged with the possession of opium,
three Chinese employees of the Kow-
loon Docks were brought before Mr.
Wood. It appeared that the defendants
were working on a steamer, then in the
Dock, and as they were leaving the ship
about 70 tails of loose opium was found
concealed under their clothes.

As no analyst's certificate was
produced the defendants were remanded,
bail being fixed at \$300 each.

FAILURE TO REPORT SMALL-
POX.

A Chinese woman appeared in Court
on the charge of failing to report a case
of small-pox. The defendant came to
Yamazi in a boat and was found
carrying about a child infected with
the disease. A fine of five dollars was
imposed.

THE BEGGAR NUISANCE.

An old beggar, who was described
by Inspector Gordon as being a perfect
nuisance, was fined four dollars or
seven days' imprisonment.

PURSE SNATCHING.

A Chinese charged with snatching a
purse from a passenger on a tram
was sentenced to three months' hard labour
and four hours' stocks.

DEATH OF SIR CHENTUNG LIANG
CHENG.

The late Sir Chentung Liang Cheng,
K.C.V.O., K.C.M.G., whose death
was announced in the *China Mail* on
Saturday, had resided in Hongkong
ever since his retirement from the
diplomatic service, and he passed away,
after a long illness, at his residence 33 Robinson Road, at the
rather premature age of 36.

After an education acquired in
America, England, and Germany he
returned to China and obtained an
official post in the Foreign Office. He
obtained his K.C.M.G. on the occasion of
the Jubilee of Queen Victoria being on
the Staff of the Mission from China
which proceeded to London on that
occasion. In 1901 he was appointed
First Secretary of Prince
Chun's Mission to Germany to
apologise for the murder of the
German Minister in the Boxer
incident.

In the following year he was ap-
pointed Chinese Minister to America
and Peru, and retained the post for
five years, when he returned to China
and accepted the appointment of
Director of the Canton section of the
Canton-Hankow Railway. Later he
was appointed Chinese Minister to
Germany, but on the outbreak of the
Revolution in China he returned
home and has since resided in
Hongkong.

The Civil Governor of Canton,
H.E. Chu Hing Lan, and the Super-
intendent of North and West River
Conservancy, Admiral Tam Hoi
Hang, arrived at Macao yesterday
morning. The Governor's A.D.C.,
with the colonial translator and a
number of Chinese merchants, went
on board the cruiser *Wing Chong*
to receive them. A guard of honour
and a band lined the Government
wharf and a salute was fired when
the visitors landed. They called on
the Governor and then went to Mr.
Loo Lin Yeu's garden where the
Governor returned the call. They
proceeded to Chinshan to inspect the
schools and visited Mr. Chan Kang
Yu's residence in Wongmum village
returning to Macao at half past six.
The visitors dined in the Government
House at 8 o'clock.

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simple thing to do, but the effect is
marvelous. For sale by all Chemists
and Druggists.

IT is becoming more and more
evident that the latest German move
is an act of despair, and is inspired
by a desire to compel the Neutral
Powers to come into the war. We

MEDICAL CONFERENCE
AT CANTON.

CANTON, Feb. 3.

The Joint Conference of the China
National and the China Medical Mis-
sionary Association, opened on January
24, finally ended yesterday, after a
week of hard work and pleasant gather-
ings. The delegates heard and discus-
sed 28 reports or papers, visited six
leading hospitals of the city, took part
in laying the cornerstone of new building
to an enlarging hospital, held many
business sessions, aside from those of
committees and sub-committees, attended
many tea parties and banquets, including
a tea, a banquet, and a picnic given by
Civil Governor Chu

Chinglan. Among the features of
the conference were devotional exer-
cises conducted at noon each day
of the week of meeting, and the
special music rendered by the
local foreign ladies and gentlemen.

Except a few of the meetings, all
were held in common; but the number
of Chinese delegates from outside
Canton did not equal that of foreigners.

Physicians educated in Canton and
other parts of China are admitted to the
privileges of the conference as those
trained abroad, but the officers elected
by the China National Medical Associa-
tion were nearly all foreign trained men

like Dr. Wu Lien-teh, who has been
re-elected president of the Chinese body.

The Chinese physicians have already
raised here within a day the \$3,000

necessary to pay one-half of the
expenses of an associate secretary to
the public Health Council now headed

by Dr. W. W. Peter, who is leaving

China for America soon for further
preparation of his work after one or
two years. Many of the delegates
speak highly of the treatment accorded
them while here, and the experiment of
a joint conference seems to be a success.

Before the delegates left many dinners
and similar arrangements were prepared
for them, but they seemed to enjoy
more the looking into the different
shops and stores than other things
offered them.

As far as the registration shows, some

64 foreign delegates and 20 Chinese
came from other cities to attend the
Joint Conference of the China Medical
Missionary and China National Medical
Association. Some came from Mukden
and Harbin. Among the local delegates
attending the conference, 70 were
Chinese and about 30 foreigners.

Among the delegates from other cities
were D. Duncan Main, Hangchow;

Florance MacMac, Hangchow; J. R. B.

Branch, Changsha; Henry Houghton,

Soochow; T. Whyte, Swatow; John

MacWillie, B. R. Vickers, Wuchow;

Webb Anderson, Fuzhou; W. H.

Venale, Kashin; W. L. Berst, Hang-

chow; D. Christie and Mrs. Christie,

Mukden; Thomas Gillison, Hankow;

Stephen C. Lewis, Chengchow; W. H.

Dobson, Teungkiang; H. S. Earle,

University of Hongkong; John H.

Smoke, Amoy; Frank Old, Sui Lam;

W. L. Wong, Shanghai; G. Eich; Tung-

kung; Edward Evans, Shanghai; K.

McBurney, E. J. M. Dickson, Loing;

Mary Littner Jame, Wuchang; Frances

C. Cunningham, Shanghai; Isabella M.

Patton, Kong Twen; J. A. McDonald,

Kongmoon; James Cooper, Foochow;

Samuel Cochran, Huiyuan; A. R.

Kilgore, Shanghai; Edward C. Leib-

tine, Fingin, Shantung; Frances J.

Heath, Jocelyn Smyle, Paking; A. C.

Hutchison, Kashin; Chas. W. Young,

Felding; Philip S. Evans Jr., Nanking;

Cecil J. Davenport, Shanghai; G. W.

Leavell, Wuchow; Edward H. Hume,

Changsha; J. C. W. Crochran, Shanghai;

Lora G. Tye, Foochow; Robert Beebe,

Shanghai; M. Emily Garner, Shanghai;

Fred L. Robins, Shanghai; W. W. Peter,

Shanghai; Hattie F. Love, Soochow;

Afred W. Tooker, Shinghau; N. M.

Stubbs, Kotong; A. Hanson, Shanghai;

Mr. Vanable, Harold H. Lam,

Tsimshau, Ma Liuk, Hongkong.

Among the noted Chinese physicians
from other cities were Wu Lien-teh, of

anti-plague fame; Dr. S. F. Li, first
commissioner of health of Kwangtung,

now practising in Hongkong; Dr. Wu

Chi, from Kirin; and Dr. Tsuau,

of Shanghai and Peking; and Dr. Chiu

Hok of Hongkong. The local physicians
attending the conference, besides Drs.

Pan J. Todd, Holt A. Cheng, Halmann,

John Kirk, and other officers and com-

TELEGRAMS.

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GERMAN MENACE.
RELATIONS WITH
AUSTRIA-HUNGARY
SEVERED.PARIS, Feb. 4.
The United States has broken off relations with Austria-Hungary.AMERICAN AMBASSADORS
EMBARK AT BARCELONA.PARIS, Feb. 4.
The American Ambassador at Berlin and Vienna will embark at Barcelona on board a Spanish liner for New York via Cuba.BRAZIL THREATENS TO ABANDON
NEUTRALITY.RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 4.
The Government is convinced that the time has come to abandon neutrality if the new German submarine directly injures the vital interests of Brazil.FRENCH EXPERTS ON NEW
SUBMARINISM.LONDON, Feb. 4.
The confidence of French experts that the new submarine will be short-lived is based on the theory that the Germans will commence by sending out all their submarines, but will shortly be compelled to return to "the shift system," which has been followed hitherto.HOW THE NEWS WAS RECEIVED
IN ENGLAND.LONDON, Feb. 4.
The news of the rupture of relations between Germany and America, which Reuters announced in London yesterday afternoon, caused a deeper impression than any event since the outset of the war, though little excitement was manifested, as the public have become hardened to sensations.

The thinking section of the population recognises that the new situation has its drawbacks as well as its advantages. As an instance, the Entente prisoners in Germany are deprived of American assistance and guardianship while Belgian relief work is endangered, confronting 100,000 persons with starvation.

The opinion is generally expressed that America will inevitably be forced into war.

There is much speculation as to the part the Americans will play and the effect it will have on the supply of munitions to the Allies.

The prospect of the German steamers interned in American ports reinforcing the mercantile traffic has strengthened the composure with which the British public growingly regards the "new frightfulness," confidently relying on the official assurance that the Naval authorities are able to deal with it.

VIEWS OF THE OTHER NEUTRALS.

Already there are indications that the neutrals are recovering from their preliminary panic; even before they had learned of President Wilson's appeal to them to emit the United States.

An Amsterdam telegram states that a number of Dutch vessels have sailed and have been granted permission to proceed to sea at their own risk.

SWEDEN.

A Stockholm telegram says the announcement of the German blockade has been received very calmly. There were no signs of panic on the Stock Exchange. On Saturday some shipping shares even rose. The fact that there are large stocks of fuel in Sweden, while the timber trade is normally at a standstill in the winter, contributes to this equanimity.

HOLLAND.

THE HAGUE, Feb. 4.
The *Vaderland*, in an editorial emphasises that Germany alone will have to bear the consequences of her ruthlessness even though the chances of Holland remaining outside the conflict are daily smaller.

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AMERICA'S DECISION.WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.
The State Department has informed the Belgian Minister that it has no intention to withdraw its diplomatic representatives in Belgium until this is inevitable. The Americans directing the relief work will remain until they are forced to depart.ANXIETY IN GERMANY.
WARNING TO THE WAR-LORDS.AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.
There is a note of anxiety in the comments of the *Frankfurter Zeitung* which dwells apprehensively on America's attitude and warns the few men—including the Kaiser, Dr. Bethmann-Holweg, Herr Helfferich and Herr Zimmermann—who have taken the decision, that they will be responsible to their own people and to history.GERMAN NEWSPAPERS AND
EXAGGERATED EXPECTATIONS.

INSPIRED "FUNK."

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.
German newspapers publish apparently inspired warnings against exaggerated expectations of submarine fightfulness.INTERESTS OF BELLIGERENTS IN
GERMANY.WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.
It is announced that British interests in Germany have been transferred to Holland, and the Japanese and Serbian interests to Spain.

It is expected that Germany will withdraw her consuls from the United States.

The issue of passports to Germany has been suspended.

AMERICAN SHIPS IN THE WAR
ZONE.THE QUESTION OF CONVOYING
THEM.WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.
The question of convoying American ships in the war zone is being considered.

INSURANCE RATES.

LONDON, Feb. 4.
At a meeting of the Institute of London Underwriters it was decided not to recommend a change in marine insurance rates in consequence of the enemy threats; thus indicating confidence in the ability of the Allies to cope with the new "frightfulness."

Nevertheless rates quoted by private underwriters have risen, especially for neutrals, and there are big advances in the rates on American cargo vessels.

THE SPANISH REPLY.

MADRID, Feb. 4.
It is reliably reported that the Spanish reply will be published to-morrow. It will protest against Germany's submarine declaration.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

ACTIVITY ON BRITISH FRONT.

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S LATEST
REPORT.LONDON, Feb. 4.
General Sir Douglas Haig reports—

We drove off an attack in the neighbourhood of Rancourt and advanced slightly westward of Le Transloy.

We pushed forward eastward of Beaucourt last night on a front of three-quarters of a mile to a depth of 500 yards. We captured a hundred prisoners and three machine-guns.

We heavily repulsed two counter-attacks on Sunday and twice entered German trenches south-east of Souchez and bombed several dugouts.

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FRENCH FRONT.PARIS, Feb. 4.
An official announcement says—There is an intermittent cannonade at various points.

Two German aeroplanes were shot down in our lines.

LONDON, Feb. 4.
Another French communiqué says—Our artillery effectively bombarded German works in various parts, notably the sector Hill 304.FIGHTING ON THE
RUSSIAN FRONT.LONDON, Feb. 4.
A Russian official message, received by wireless, says—We repelled several attacks on the east side of Tirlu Swamp between Tirlu Swamp and the Aire.

The Germans broke in our trenches eastward of the Kalneem Road, but by a counter-attack we restored our position.

THE BIG LOAN.

\$125,000,000 RECEIVED THROUGH
THE POST.LONDON, Feb. 4.
The Postmaster-General, speaking at Keighley, stated that over 50 million loan applications were received through Post Offices, representing 125 millions sterling.TSAR ENTERTAINS THE ALLIED
DELEGATES.PETROGRAD, Feb. 4.
At the Palace Banquet to the Allied delegates the Tsar declared that the task of the delegates would effectively contribute to hasten definite victory.

MOBILISING IN FRANCE.

SUGGESTION TO EXTEND AGE
LIMIT.PARIS, Feb. 4.
The Government is considering a bill for the mobilising of all civilians between 16 and 60 years old.

THE FRENCH TALKING SHOP.

DRAMATICALLY CLOSED.

PARIS, Feb. 4.
General Lyautey, Minister of War, dramatically terminated a debate on the Bill providing for the re-examination of rejected and exempted men.

He said he had had to cancel arrangements to go to the front the previous evening, owing to the debate. He did not intend to further postpone his departure. He could not take a message of weariness to the fine men in the trenches, and insisted on a final vote.

The Chamber immediately rejected a crowd of amendments and passed the Bill by 398 votes to 85.

FALKENHAYN AT MUNSTER.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.
General von Falkenhayn has arrived at Munster where a large German force is concentrated.

CROWN PRINCE PROMOTED.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.
The Kaiser in an Army Order announces the promotion of the Crown Prince to the rank of a General of Infantry in recognition of his "joyful, indefatigable and loyal fulfilment of duty, earning the confidence and love of the troops of your command."

TRAIN COLLISION IN GERMANY.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.
A military train collided with a passenger train at Herzogenrath, between Dusseldorf and Aachen. A hundred persons were killed or injured.MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR LORD
CROMER.LONDON, Feb. 4.
A large congregation attended the memorial service for Lord Cromer in Westminster Abbey. Their Majesties the King and Queen and the Duke and Duchess of Connaught were represented.DUTCH SHIPPING COMPANY STOPS
SAILINGS.AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.
The *Handelsblad* states that the Nederlandsche Shipping Company announces that their vessels bound to Holland from India and America, also their vessels bound to India from Holland will not sail for the present.

The Foreign Minister is consulting shipowners regarding vessels en route.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

AMERICA AND GERMANY.

AMERICAN AMBASSADOR
RECALLED FROM
BERLIN.LONDON, Feb. 4.
Count Bernstorff has been handed his passport.

Mr. Gerard, American Ambassador at Berlin, has been recalled.

President Wilson's decision was reached after conference with members of the Cabinet and the Senate, which convinced the President that the country was solid in favour of a rupture of relations.

RELATIONS COMPLETELY
INTERRUPTED.WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.
Mr. Gerard, the American Ambassador at Berlin, has been instructed to close the Embassy and all the Consulates thus completely interrupting relations.

Spain takes charge of American interest.

HISTORIC SITTING OF
CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.

President Wilson, at a historic sitting of Congress this afternoon, explained the reasons for his decision.

His utterances were loudly cheered especially when he declared that he would ask Congress to provide means to safeguard American life and property.

LATER.

There was an unusual attendance of diplomats in the Congress including those representing practically all the South American States, to hear President Wilson.

The gravity of the occasion was emphasised by the presence of the Justices of the Supreme Court, Members of the Cabinet, and high officials.

Wiegand: The Entente writes much about its bad luck and wants of a central upper command and unified leadership.

Hindenburg: In war luck in the long run is with the efficient. A single upper command and central leading among the Allies is a question of confidence in that upper command and leadership. Such a thing is not easy to obtain. If one takes into consideration the differences in interests and nations, there is no great probability that it will ever be successful with them. The military advantage of such central leadership is too apparent to need any explanation, but command is quite a different thing from consulting and requesting.

"ALLIES CAN NOT CONCURE NOW."

Wiegand: How high do you estimate the losses of the Allies?

Hindenburg: The Entente has probably a total loss of 15,000,000 dead, wounded, sick, and prisoners. With this loss they have neither crushed Germany nor won the war and without those 15,000,000 they certainly cannot conquer now.

Wiegand: And the losses of Germany and her allies?

Hindenburg: Our losses have not been slight, but they have remained within limits of the bearable. Our supplies of men are enough for us to get through with.

To the question how far the success in Rumania was of importance for the Central Powers, Hindenburg replied: "All danger of want of food is past, and strategically we are coming into a much more favourable position against Russia." Wiegand, continuing his questions, said: "Will the campaign in the East perhaps come to an end before winter?"

Hindenburg: It will take two to three months to stamp out possible German rioting.

WORLD WAR'S END.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.
President Wilson's step came as a thunderclap in Washington.

A Bill was promptly introduced in the House of Representatives authorising the issue of \$500,000,000 in Treasury notes.

Complete military precautions have been taken to stamp out possible German rioting.

All the prominent Members of Parliament have announced that they support President Wilson.

NEW YORK BEFLAGGED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.
The banks and offices are beflagged. Crowds rushed to buy the newspapers, and fought for approach to the bulletin boards.INTENSE EXCITEMENT IN
MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, Feb. 3.

The most intense excitement prevails here.

The streets are packed with crowds, cheering President Wilson.

AN AMERICAN DEMAND.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.
America has demanded from Germany the immediate release of the American captured by the Atlantic raider.

AMERICAN VICTIM.

LONDON, Feb. 3.
The American steamer *Housatonic* has been sunk.

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THE GERMAN "BLOCKADE."

LONDON, Feb. 4.
A German official statement announces an alteration of the "blockade of England," allowing neutrals a channel of 20 kilometers west of the Danish coast, between the British and German danger zones.

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ALLIES' LOSSES.
HINDENBURG'S CLAIM.FROM LEONARD STRAY IN THE "DAILY
TELEGRAPH."

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SHANGHAI	SUNGKIAN	Feb. 13, at 10 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	CHINUA	Feb. 14, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	YEHKANG	Feb. 15, at 4 p.m.
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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

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SCOTTISH LABOURIST MINISTER.
 The three leading members of the Labour party with positions in the new Government are all of Scottish birth and upbringing. The best known of them is Mr. Arthur Henderson, who is a Minister without Portfolio in the War Council. He is a native of Glasgow, a moulder by trade, and has held a number of appointments in his Trade Union. Mr. John Hodge, the head of the new Ministry of Marine, is, however, quite as strong a man, although the general public know little of him apart from his patriotic attitude during the war. He is a Muirkirk man, and spent most of his early life as an iron and steel worker in Glasgow. A Labour leader of the older school, he created the Steel Smelters' Union, of which he is secretary, and obtained for its members the maximum of advantage with the minimum of friction. He has always regarded a strike as a sign that the men's leaders did not know their business, and has suppressed unauthorised stoppages of work with a firm hand. His Ayrshire Doric has lost little of its flavour during long residence in England, and his genial humour has been an asset to him in the Parliamentary sphere. Whether he is young enough and nimble-minded enough to organise a great new Department is, however, doubtful. The third Scottish Labourist in the Government is Mr. George Barnes, the Minister of Pensions. He comes from the Lochee district of Dundee, and is recognised as one of the most sagacious of leaders, and as exercising a steady influence on the workers of the country. The Privy Councilorship recently conferred upon him was a tribute to his useful work in maintaining industrial unity at the present moment, and a recognition of his successful mission to Canada in the early stages of the war in quest of skilled workers for the munition factories at home.

THE SHIPPING CONTROLLER.

Sir Joseph P. MacLay, Bart., appointed Shipping Controller, is a native of Glasgow, and a principal partner in Messrs. MacLay and McIntyre, owners of the largest fleet of vessels trading from the Clyde. He has found time to devote himself to various aspects of city and national life. He has served on various boards and on the Town Council, and during the war he has taken a prominent part in the temperance movement that has sought to lay the liquor trade under more drastic restrictions. He is recognised as one of the leading authorities on cargo shipping, and has been a member of the Board of Trade Committee on Shipping since the beginning of the war. At one time he was a prominent member of the Imperialist wing of the Radical party in the West of Scotland.

THE SCOTTISH OFFICE.

The Scottish Office seems to have been regarded by the Prime Minister as of little importance. It is the only position in which political reasons have plainly dominated, and it is probable that the r.h.g. accepted the vicious principle of party balance, deciding that the political representation of Scotland being predominantly Radical, only a Radical could fill the Secretariate. The transference of Mr. Munro from the office of the Lord Advocate to that of Scottish Secretary, "will not, of course, lead to any protest, but it is certain that the Scottish public is disappointed; without distinction of party every colour of politics looked forward to the appointment of Sir George Younger. Mr. Munro is a son of the Manse, of a Ross-shire Free Kirk manse, and can "wag his pow in a pupit" to some effect. He often addresses "men's meetings" in Edinburgh, and if he had had a call to the Church instead of to the Bar he would have taken a high place among our preachers. Rared in a crofting country, he has an intimate knowledge of the life of large and small farmers and Land Reformers who base their views on economic rather than on sentimental grounds. He will find in him a sympathetic friend. Mr. Clyde's appointment to the office of Lord Advocate is highly approved of; he has one of the quickest intellects and cleverest tongues on the Scottish benches.

THE LORD CHANCELLOR.
 Sir Robert Peel, the 7th Lord Chancellor, is an old Edinburgh Academy boy and a graduate of Edinburgh.

burgh University. His position as one of the most distinguished lawyers of the day has long been recognised. Those who have known him only in the House of Commons cannot fully recognise his full strength, which shows itself rather in our great Courts of law. His knowledge of procedure in the House of Lords and in the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council is probably unique. And this combined with his great attainments in the sphere of case law, and his sound common sense, fit him in a special degree for the Woolsack. In the House of Commons he never quite succeeded in throwing off the atmosphere of the Law Courts, and the Lawyer's careful marshalling of elaborate details is apt to fall flat in our Legislative Assembly. Sir Robert is one of the few men who have become distinguished lawyers after qualifying to practice medicine. His favourite recreation is golf. By kind critics his appointment as Solicitor-General was attributed to Mr. Balfour's admiration for his skill at golf, just as it is said that when he presented a golf course to Nairn his fondness for unusual stipulations led him to make it a condition that no intoxicants should be procurable on the ground. In some quarters it is matter for astonishment that Sir Robert should waive his rights to a pension when he retires from the Treasury in a case concerning a member of Parliament held before the Privy Council. He was entitled to a very substantial fee, but refused it on the ground that in a sense he appeared on behalf of the House of Commons, which was a public duty.

THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR WAR.
 Mr. Ian Macpherson, the Under-Secretary for War in the new set in the old Government, is like Mr. Lloyd George, a son of the people, and has the gift of two tongues. His first language was Gaelic, and he has told that when he entered a public school he knew very little English. Mr. Macpherson, and his two brothers, one of whom is a Judge in India and the other was studying for the Bar when he received a commission, are all products of an educational system which, although it has been compared unfavourably with the German, is undoubtedly more fruitful in bringing forward "lads o' pairts." These three representatives of Clan Chattan had nothing to help them in rising from humble positions but strength of intellect and character. Highland enthusiasts will add that they were also helped by their knowledge of Gaelic, their contention being that bi-lingual boys invariably shine in the study of the classics.

LABOUR AND PLEASURE.
 Few men are better qualified to speak of the industrial and other effects of the war upon the workers engaged in the iron and steel industry than Mr. Herbert Beard, President of the West of Scotland Institute, and he has some trenchant things to say upon the increase of wages and the output of material. Discussing what is described as "the limitation of effort caused by inflated wages," he says that such limitation is very noticeable among puddlers and young unmarried workers, many of whom are of military age. In this connection he mentions that in his branch of the trade wages "have advanced 70 per cent, since the war started, and are likely to go even higher." He traces this state of affairs in many instances to "an intention of evading the payment of income-tax." As to the direct moral effect he is equally emphatic. "The payment of high wages to immature youths is productive of the most baneful results." The opportunities afforded for the frivolities and indulgence in amusements, in his opinion, are also to blame.

Mr. Beard has something to say about other aspects of the iron and steel industry. While giving high praise to the manner in which our resources are mobilised, he says it is responsible for "a prodigal waste of public money. The State is paying dear for everything it requires" and "swollen profits are made by manufacturers, shipowners, and everyone doing war work directly or indirectly." In addition he blames the public at large for making demands upon the iron and steel trade in this time of war. Steel girders and other steel sections, he says, were put into the fabric of

picture palaces and refreshment and tea-rooms and in large drapery establishments at a time when the Minister of Munitions was grasping for steel to meet the requirements of the Army and Navy."

"WOUNDED AND A PRISONER."

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CURRENCY REFORM IN THE PHILIPPINES.

A bill was introduced into the House of Representatives at Manila last week creating a currency reserve and for the redemption of silver pesos at their nominal value payable in gold coin of the United States or its equivalent; for coinage, and currency operations; and for such further transactions as may be necessary to maintain the parity of the Philippine silver peso with the Philippine gold peso, and of keeping the currency equal in value only to the demands of trade. Provided, that the Governor-General, in his discretion and under such conditions as will insure their conversion into silver bullion, may sell Philippine silver coins for their bullion value in gold, and the difference between the amount realized from such sale and the nominal value of the coins thus sold shall be charged to the operating profits of the Currency Reserve Fund. And provided further, That at the close of each fiscal year the Governor-General may direct the transfer to the General Fund of such portion of the accumulated profits of the Currency Reserve Fund as may, in his judgment, be in excess of the prospective requirements of said fund.

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